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Dear Sir:

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2000, which provides for a response period ending October 6, 2000. A Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time is enclosed herewith, extending the period for response to December 6, 2000.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: